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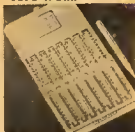
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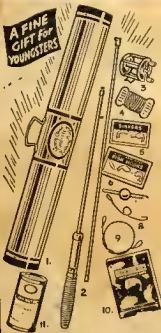


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SECONDS LEFT TO TELL US WHERE  
YOU'VE HIDDEN THAT ATOMIC EXPLOSIVE  
FORMULA. OR WE'LL BLOW A HOLE IN YOU!

WHAT'S  
THIS?

MY BROTHER, THE JUNIOR AGENT HEARD  
THE POLICE WERE SEARCHING FOR  
THE CEILING FELLAS. I'LL  
SHOOT THE FIRST GUY  
WHO MOVES!

OKAY KID, ONLY BE  
CAREFUL WITH THAT  
THING, IT MIGHT GO OFF!

HURRY, OPERATOR. SEND  
THE POLICE OVER TO SECRET  
AGENT X-28'S APARTMENT  
RIGHT AWAY!

I HAVE TO HAND  
IT TO YOU,  
JUNIOR, THAT  
GUY CERTAINLY  
ISN'T THINKING  
MUCH LIKE THE  
REAL THING. IT  
LOOKS MOST  
FELONY.

YOU MEAN TO SAY  
THAT TOMMY GUN  
ISN'T REALLY  
WHY, I CAN  
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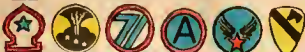
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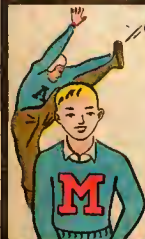
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# CARLO BARRONE

## *The* **MURDEROUS BULLY**

CARLO BARRONE LED ONE OF THE BLOODIEST CAREERS IN THE ANNALS OF GANGDOM HISTORY! HE WAS A RUTHLESS KILLER, WITHOUT A CONSCIENCE! THIS IS A MOST VIVID ACCOUNT OF HOW HE GRADUATED FROM BULLYING HIS BOYHOOD BUDDIES TO TERRORIZING THE WORLD'S LARGEST COMMUNITY!

THAT'S THE STUFF, CARLO, INTO THE DRINK WITH THE COPPER—SERVES THE BOOB RIGHT FOR DISTURBING YOUR STICK-UP!

**A  
TRUE  
CRIME  
STORY.**

IN CONSIDERATION OF INNOCENT PEOPLE INVOLVED AND RELATIVES OF OTHERS, THE NAMES OF SOME CHARACTERS DEPICTED IN THIS TRUE MAGAZINE ARE FICTITIOUS.  
*the editors*

GEORGE  
TUSKA

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HOW FAR SHALL I GO BACK TO SHOW THE SEEDS OF HIS CRIMINAL CHARACTER?— TO THE ROCK HE PACKED AND THREW AS A SNOWBALL WHICH BLINDED A SMALL GIRL, OR THE BOY HE THREW DOWN A CELLAR AND MAIMED FOR LIFE!



NO, ANY EVIL FOOL COULD DO THOSE THINGS— WHAT! ESPECIALLY ENDEARED CARLO TO ME WAS THE NATURAL WAY HE APPLIED HIMSELF TO CRIME!

SEVEN! I WIN! I WIN!

THERE'S GOES THE DOUGH I GYPPED FROM OLD MAN MURPHY'S NEWS-STAND— UNLESS I PULL A FAST ONE!

AW...



ALL RIGHT, SUCKERS— REACH! NOBODY'S PLAYIN' LIL' CARLO FOR A SAP! THEM DICE IS CROOKED!

JEEPS! A GUN!

GOLLY, FELLER, YA JUST HAD BAD LUCK!



WRONG, FLAP MOUTH, YOU'VE GOT THE BAD LUCK— SAME GOES FOR ANY SAP WHO TALKS BACK TO ME!

IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE THAT GUN—

OWWWW...



BUT I HAVE, SO STAY PUT, YOU BUMS!

THE DIRTY BULLY...



ONE THING BETTER THAN LOADED DICE IS A LOADED GUN! YESSIR, 25...26...27...

SEE WHAT I MEAN? WHAT A PROSPECT CARLO WAS! THE EARTH DIDN'T REVOLVE AROUND THE SUN! IT REVOLVED AROUND CARLO BARRONE AND IF SOME PEOPLE WEREN'T CONVINCED OF THIS—

Jenny the KOP  
Said Louis Jones

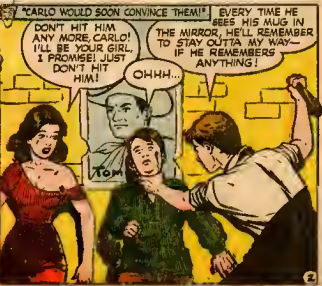


"CARLO WOULD SOON CONVINCE THEM!"

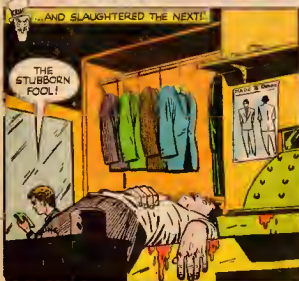
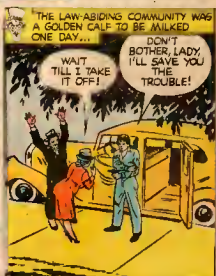
DON'T HIT HIM ANY MORE, CARLO! I'LL BE YOUR GIRL, I PROMISE! JUST DON'T HIT HIM!

EVERY TIME HE SEES HIS MUG IN THE MIRROR, HE'LL REMEMBER TO STAY OUTTA MY WAY— IF HE REMEMBERS ANYTHING!

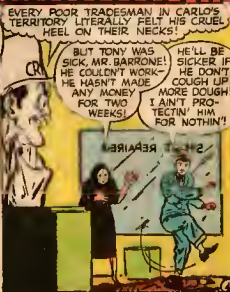
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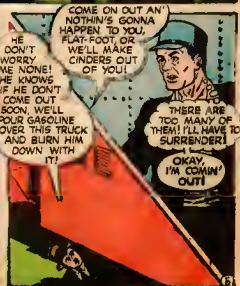
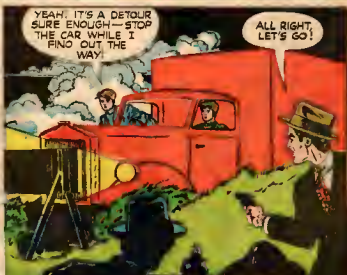
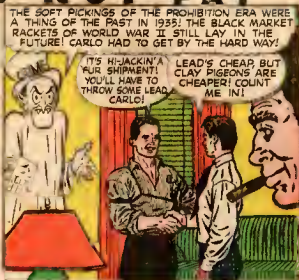
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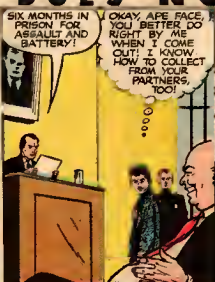
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MASELLINO KEPT PUTTING CARLO OFF AND CARLO HESITATED TO KILL THE GOOSE THAT LAID THE GOLDEN EGG! THEN, ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 16TH, 1936, IN BROOKLYN...

A THOUSAND DOLLARS WILL NEVER SATISFY CARLO. THE LEECH WILL SUCK MY BLOOD TILL I'M DEAD. I MUST KILL HIM BEFORE HE KILLS ME!



IT WAS FAR FROM A KILLING! AT THE POLICE STATION WHERE HIS WOUNDS WERE DRESSED, CARLO REFUSED TO TALK FOR AN EXCELLENT REASON!

I'LL GET THAT COXXIXX FAT SLOB, AND WHEN I DO, I DON'T WANT THEM LINKING CARLO BARRONE WITH A SWISS-CHEESE CORPSE!

FAT STUFF KNOWS WHAT'S COMIN' TO HIM! LOOK AT HIM SWEAT—HA, HA NO YELLOW GUT, I AIN'T BLASTIN' YOU YET! A LITTLE TORTURE FIRST WONDERIN' WHEN YOU'LL GET IT!



IN THE MEANTIME MASELLINO DIED A THOUSAND DEATHS! HE WAS AFRAID OF HIS OWN SHADOW!



"CARLO JOINED WITH THEM ON JOBS WHICH TOTALLED EIGHTEEN KILLINGS IN THREE YEARS, OF WHICH CARLO PERSONALLY ACCOUNTED FOR SIX!"

I'LL GIVE THE PLUNKS SOME THING TO HOWL ABOUT!



THERE'S THE CASE OF CARMELLO TORRE CHAFFE FOR THE MOB—ON THE NIGHT OF MARCH 18, 1939.

REMEMBER RAT FACE STAY PUT TILL WE GET BACK!

MAYBE HE'S LOOKIN' FOR A WREATH WILLIE! MAYBE HE DON'T LIKE OUR COMPANY NO MORE EH CARMELLO!



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IT AIN'T THAT AT ALL, BOYS! IT'S JUST I GO NUTS WAITIN'! I'M THIN'KIN' MAYBE SOMETHING GOES WRONG INSIDE...MAYBE THE COPS SHOW UP...SEE WHAT I MEAN?

CLUB CASINO

YEAH! WE SEE!

YOU JUST ASKED FOR LILLIES CRUMS!

CARMELO'S GETTING COLD FEET WILLIE! I THINK I BETTER PUT A PINK SLIP IN HIS PAY ENVELOPE

WAIT A COUPLE OF DAYS CARLO DON'T GET HIM NERVOUS! HE MIGHT SING!

THAT CAN WAIT SO CAN IT! WE GOT WORK TO DO!

REACH! THIS IS A STICK UP!

NO! COME BACK!

THE HECK IT IS! I'LL SHOW YOU MUGS! ONE SOCK—3 HIC!

LET HIM COME, LADY!

BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT HE'S DOING—HE'S DRUNK!

THAT'S TOO BAD, LADY!

DON'T ANY OF THE REST OF YOU MOVE OUT OF HERE OR YOU'LL GET THE SAME! O.K. LET'S SCRAM!

H. HE'S DEAD!

I HEARD SHOOTIN! ANY TROUBLE?

NAW JUST BUSTED SOME ELECTRIC LIGHT BULBS EH WILLIE?

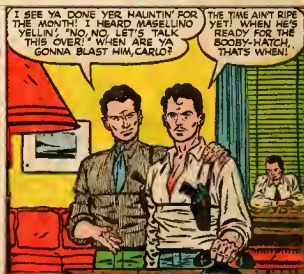
"TEN DAYS LATER, WHEN CARMELO LEAST EXPECTED IT!"

NOW, THERE, CARMELO! YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE NERVOUS NO MORE!

YEEH!

424 WEST

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IT WAS TRAGIC FOR SERGEANT PAT WALSH, WHO WAS ON HIS WAY TO THE CATSKILLS TO JOIN HIS WIFE. HE STOPPED AT THE CANDY STORE FOR A COKE!

THAT TIPSTER STEERED ME RIGHT. JUST SOME DUMB PUNKS AROUND!



GET IN THE BACK, AND THERE'LL BE NO SHOOTIN' I MOVIE!

PUT DOWN THAT GUN, BUD! YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE!

A...A HOLD-UP!



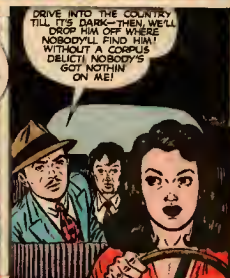
AS QUICKLY AS WALSH WENT FOR HIS GUN, "TRIGGER-HAPPY" CARLO WAS QUICKER!

IT WAS A TRAP! WHAT ARE YOU WAITIN' FOR? IN THE DOOR! THIS AIN'T NO SACK OF POTATOES I'M EATIN'!

G...GOSH, WHAT HAPPENED, CARLO? WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT STIFF?



DRIVE INTO THE COUNTRY TILL IT'S DARK—THEN WE'LL DROP HIM OFF WHERE NOBODY'LL FIND HIM! WITHOUT A CORPUS DELICTI NOBODY'S GOT NOTHIN ON ME!



WHERE TO NOW, CARLO? I'VE BEEN DRIVING FOR HOURS. I'M TIRED!

SO AM I OF YOUR YAPPIN! MAKE FOR THAT EAST RIVER DRIVE THEY'RE CONSTRUCTIN'!



I'LL BE RIGHT BACK SISTER! DON'T TRY ANYTHING FUNNY OR YOU'LL GO BATHING WITH HIM!

A...ALL RIGHT, CARLO! ONLY, HURRY...I'M FRIGHTENED!



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I'LL BET THAT FAT @!!X@!! MASCELLINO SPRUNG THIS TRAP! IT WAS A PHONY TIP! WHERE EVER YOU ARE, FATSO, START PRAYIN'! YOUR TIMES UP!

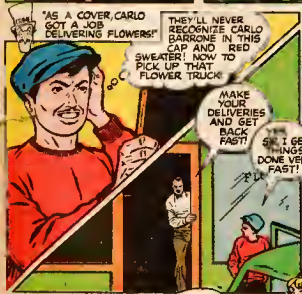


NICE WORK, CARLO! YOU HAVE A RARE TALENT FOR THESE THINGS! THEY'LL NEVER FIND THE COPPER NOW!

NOW TO START WORKIN' ON MASCELLINO! AFTER I KNOCK OFF THAT SKIRT IN MY CAR, OF COURSE!

THE GIRL WAS BURIED IN A MOUNTAIN GRAVE, BUT NOT MASCELLINO—NOT YET! THE HEAT WAS ON CARLO FOR PAST PERFORMANCES AND HE WAS FORCED TO HIDE OUT FOR OVER A YEAR!

FOR TWELVE MONTHS I'VE SPENT FIGURIN' HOW TO GET YOU, FATSO! THIS IS GOIN' THROUGH WITH NO SLIP-UPS AN' NO WITNESSES!



"AS A COVER, CARLO GOT A JOB DELIVERING FLOWERS!"

THEY'LL NEVER RECOGNIZE CARLO BARRONE IN THIS CAP AND RED SWEATER! NOW TO PICK UP THAT FLOWER TRUCK

MAKE YOUR DELIVERIES AND GET BACK FAST!

SEE I GET THINGS DONE VERY FAST!



AT 5.45 P.M. ON FEBRUARY 10, 1941, CARLO WAITED FOR MASCELLINO TO APPEAR IN FRONT OF HIS FACTORY IN GREENPOINT!

I GUESS THE RAT THOUGHT HE WAS SAFE WHEN HE DIDN'T HEAR FROM ME FOR A YEAR!

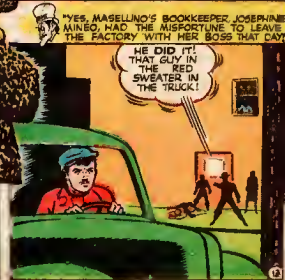
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YOU, TOO, SISTER I'M NOT TAKIN' ANY CHANCES ON YOU IDENTIFYING ME!

EEEE...

BANG! BANG! BANG!



"YES, MASCELLINO'S BOOKKEEPER JOSEPHINE MAINEO, HAD THE MISFORTUNE TO LEAVE THE FACTORY WITH HER BOSS THAT DAY!"

HE DID IT! THAT GUY IN THE RED SWEATER IN THE TRUCK!

# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

CARLO ABANDONED THE TRUCK QUICKLY! WHEN THE FLORIST SAW THE MURDER CAR IN THE NEWSPAPERS, HE SOUGHT POLICE PROTECTION AND CARLO HAD NO CHANCE TO RUB HIM OUT! CARLO HID OUT FOR OVER TWO WEEKS! THEN, ON MARCH FIRST...



A WOMAN WHO LISTENED TO POLICE CALLS NOTICED A STOLEN CAR BELONGING TO HER NEW BOARDER! SHE CALLED THE POLICE, WHO FOUND ITS BATTERY MISSING, AS THEY WERE SEARCHING CARLO'S ROOM, THE DOOR OPENED!

THAT'S HIM NOW!

HE'S GOIN' FOR A GUN!

BULLS! I'VE WALKED INTO THEM!



YOU'RE CORNERED, YOU @#!\$%!! RAISE 'EM UP!

AAIEE!

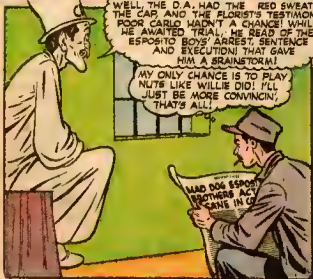


WELL, THE D.A. HAD THE RED SWEATER, THE CAP, AND THE FLORIST'S TESTIMONY! POOR CARLO HADN'T A CHANCE! WHILE HE AWAITED TRIAL, HE READ OF THE ESPRESSO BOYS' ARREST, SENTENCE AND EXECUTION! THAT GAVE HIM A BRAINSTORM!

MY ONLY CHANCE IS TO PLAY NUTS LIKE WILLIE DID! I'LL JUST BE MORE CONVINCIN', THAT'S ALL!

I'M GOIN' INTO BURLESQUE! I'M STRIPPIN'! TELL YA, I'M GYPSY ROSE LEE, YOU @#!\$%!! FOOLS!

ORDER IN THE COURT! YOU CERTAINLY ARE CRAZY, BARRONE, TO THINK THAT YOU COULD FOOL THIS COURT WITH SUCH ABSURD ANTICS!

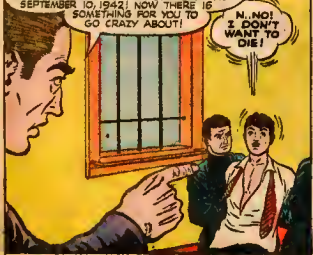


CARLO BARRONE, YOU ARE SENTENCED TO DIE IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR IN SINGING ON SEPTEMBER 10, 1942! NOW THERE'S SOMETHING FOR YOU TO GO CRAZY ABOUT!

N..NO! I DON'T WANT TO DIE!



WELL, NEITHER DID ANY OF MY PUPILS, CARLO! BUT THEY DID—ALL OF THEM! WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE—THERE WILL BE OTHER SUCKERS JOINING MY CLASS, LEARNING HOW TO ROB AND KILL!



YES, BUT WHEN WILL THEY LEARN THAT CRIME DOES NOT PAY?

# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

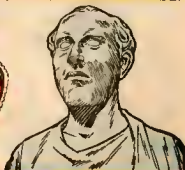
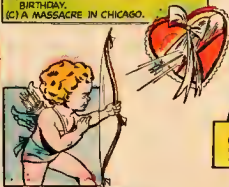
## CRIME QUIZ

IN ORDER TO WAYLAY ANY POSSIBLE READER INFERENCE TO THE CONTRARY, THE PURPOSE OF THIS CRIME QUIZ SERIES IS TO BETTER ACQUAINT OUR MILLIONS OF READERS WITH SOME OF THE MORE COMMON TERMS, METHODS AND FACTS USED BY OUR AUTHORS TO DRAMATIZE THE TRUE CRIME STORIES IN THIS MAGAZINE. OF COURSE, IT'S NEEDLESS TO SAY THAT WE HOPE YOU ENJOY THESE QUIZZES!

TEST YOUR WITS!

ROBERT LAWRENCE, NOTED CRIMINOLOGIST, HAS DELVED INTO HIS FILES FOR SOME CURIOUSLY INTERESTING CRIME DETECTION FACTS. JUST HOW HIGH IS YOUR DETECTION I, Q, & ARE YOU A SHERLOCK HOLMES OR A KEYSTONE COPI? CHECK EACH QUESTION A, B, OR C, THEN TURN PAGE UPSIDE DOWN FOR THE ANSWERS—AND DON'T LET THE PICTURES FOOL YOU!

1...ST. VALENTINE'S DAY WILL BE REMEMBERED BY GANGLAND AS:  
(A) DUTCH SCHULTZ'S WEDDING DAY.  
(B) SAFE-CRACKER JIMMY VALENTINE'S BIRTHDAY.  
(C) A MASSACRE IN CHICAGO.



2...A "CORPUS DELICTI" IS:  
(A) A HANDSOME CORPSE.  
(B) LATIN FOR "DETECTIVE CORP".  
(C) A DEAD BODY.

3...THE SULLIVAN LAW APPLIES TO:

- (A) ILLEGAL OWNERSHIP OF GUNS.
- (B) PENALTIES FOR KIDNAPING.
- (C) GAMBLING AT BOXING MATCHES.

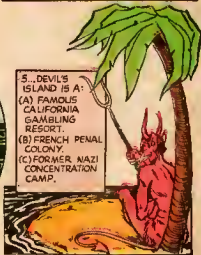


4...IN CRIME, A TORPEDO REFERS TO  
(A) A LARGE, EXPENSIVE CIGAR.  
(B) A HOME-MADE BOMB.  
(C) A GUN-MAN.



5...DEVIL'S ISLAND IS A:

- (A) FAMOUS CALIFORNIA GAMBLING RESORT.
- (B) FRENCH PENAL COLONY.
- (C) FORMER NAZI CONCENTRATION CAMP.



6...MEETING A "CONFIDENCE MAN" MEANS MEETING  
(A) AN EGOTISTIC SHARPIE  
(B) A SWINDLER  
(C) YOUR MOST TRUSTED FRIEND



7...DEATH BY GUILLOTINE INVOLVES:  
(A) GAS  
(B) POISON  
(C) DECAPITATION.



8...THE "BLACK SOX" WAS  
(A) A GANG OF KILLERS WHO WORE DISTINCTIVE SOCKS.  
(B) THE TEAM WHICH THREW THE 1919 WORLD SERIES.  
(C) A GANG OF NEW YORK GARMENT DISTRICT GUNNERS.

SCORE YOURSELF 10 FOR EACH CORRECT ANSWER. WITH A SCORE OF 0 TO 20, YOU COULDN'T FIND THE LIGHT-SWITCH IN YOUR OWN BEDROOM. 30 TO 40, MAKES YOU A BETTER GRADE DOG-CATCHER. WITH 50 TO 60, YOU'RE SHOWING SOME POTENTIALITIES AS A SLEUTH. IF YOU MAKE 70 OR 80, WHICH IS HARD TO IMAGINE, YOU SHOULD BE EITHER A FIRST-GRADE DETECTIVE OR YOU'VE MISSED YOUR CALLING.

ANSWERS:

(1) B (2) C (3) A (4) B (5) C (6) C (7) C (8) B

# WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

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## Dear Readers

In every issue of CRIME DOES NOT PAY this page is devoted to your opinions, ideas and suggestions. Since the conception of CRIME DOES NOT PAY we have been guided by two ideals—first, the eradication of crime and, second, to give credit to the fearless detectives and officers of the law who daily risk their lives that you and we may live in a more lawful society.

CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

In our school the teacher saw my brother reading CRIME DOES NOT PAY so she took it away. During noon hour she read it. She said it was grand, so now she always reads it to the class every month.

Yours truly, Marvin Porter  
R.F.D. 1, Kingsley, Mich.

*Please send us the name of your school teacher and your school, Marvin. We'd like to put her on our mailing list.*

We have officially opened a "Junior Crime Club" in honor of your CRIME COMICS. Our club library is being stocked with CRIME DOES NOT PAY because of its true account of crime and its results—Crime Does Not Pay. Carry on the good work.

Yours truly, Goolam H. Pates  
342 c/o Sixth & Mogul Sts.  
Asiatic Beazar, Pretoria, Tvl., South Africa

*That's a great honor and CRIME DOES NOT PAY magazine will remain worthy of it.*

Everyone knows that crime does not pay, but there was a boy in my room at school who learned that fact the hard way. He was arrested for stealing a comic book at the local magazine store. Guess what he was stealing when we was caught? A CRIME DOES NOT PAY comic book.

Yours very truly, Sam Murphy, S. M., Paris, Texas

"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America." What I have just written is the Preamble to the Constitution. There are reasons in the Preamble telling why we have written the Constitution. I believe your magazine CRIME DOES NOT PAY stands for those points and more. Yours, as long as you keep up the good work.

Wilma Steinberg, c/o Weinberg  
2067 Davidson Avenue, Bronx 53, N. Y.

*Now and forever.*

Unless you're on your toes when CRIME DOES NOT PAY comes out, it's hard to get a copy. It is always the first magazine sold out. Who says the younger generation is going to the dogs?

George Wiant  
2311 Ninth St., S.W., Canton, Ohio

*America's youth is the most fair minded in the world but there are those who won't play the American way of life according to the rules.*

Recently we had a discussion of comic books in our school. Practically all the kids were in favor of CRIME DOES NOT PAY. The teacher read a copy and from now on we are going to have a group reading of your wonderful magazine, everytime it comes out. She said it should be required reading for every student, which will suit us!

Sincerely, Alfred Cobb  
91-22 Sutter Ave., Ozone Park, L. I.

*It suits us, too.*

CRIME DOES NOT PAY gave me an idea regarding neighborhood boys who always portrayed gangsters in their shoot-'em-up games.

By distributing several copies of this publication among them each month I can report, these former gangsters have become G-Men, F.B.I. Agents and Lawmen.

They discovered that CRIME DOES NOT PAY the harmless way.

F. D. Koontz, Moundsville, W. Va.

*Shake, F. D.*

With the appearance of more and more "trite" publications on bookstands, it has become difficult to find decent reading material.

It is my sincere belief that if all publishers followed your ideas of righteousness and fair play, the problem of choosing good reading would be made simple.

Yours sincerely, W. J. Laughman  
236 Richardson Street, Martinez, Calif.

*Those in favor, say Aye! Aye, Aye!*

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**CRIME DOES NOT PAY**

**DR. HOLMES**

# THE MASTER OF MURDER CASTLE



IN CHICAGO, AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY THERE DWELT A HUMAN BEAST WHO MADE THE SHOCKING TALE OF DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE A NURSERY TALE ALONGSIDE HIS OWN GRUESOME ACTIVITIES, RIVALLING THE BLOODIEST BRUTALITIES OF THE LEGENDARY BLUEBEARD. DR. HOLMES SLAUGHTERED HIS WAY INTO CRIMINAL INFAMY AS **"THE MASTER OF MURDER CASTLE"**!

IN THE YEAR, 1887, IN CHICAGO, A GAUNT FIGURE PAUSED AT THE CORNER OF 63RD AND WALLACE STS.



AN ATTRACTIVE WIDOW ADVERTISING FOR A MALE ASSISTANT FOR HER PHARMACY? I MUST LOOK INTO THIS!

MISS HOLDEN, IT IS MY DEAREST WISH TO BE THE HUMBLE ASSISTANT OF SO CAPTIVATING A WOMAN AS YOURSELF!

HOW DISTINGUISHED A MAN, I WILL BE LUCKY TO HAVE HIM AS MY ASSISTANT!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

DARLING, WE'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR ALMOST TWO MONTHS! I DO LOVE YOU! MARRY ME—PLEASE, PLEASE SAY YOU WILL!

A HUSBAND SHOULD MANAGE THE PURSE STRINGS, MY LOVE! OF COURSE I'LL MARRY YOU, DEAR—JUST AS SOON AS YOUR PROPERTY IS MINE!

NOW THAT THAT IS SETTLED, LET'S DRIVE AROUND THE LAKE AND DISCUSS OUR MARRIAGE PLANS!

WONDERFUL, DARLING! I'M SO HAPPY! JUST THINK, IN A FEW DAYS WE'LL BE MARRIED!

DEATH WILL BE YOUR BRIDEGROOM, MY PET!



A LITTLE HONEYMOON TRIP ACROSS LAKE MICHIGAN SHOULD BE APPROPRIATE! NOW ABOUT A WEDDING PRESENT—HOW ABOUT A STONE? YES THAT'S IT! A NICE BIG STONE!

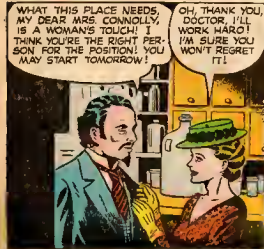


FAREWELL MY LOVE REST IN PEACE—AND NOW I MUST GET BACK TO MY BUSINESS!



WHAT THIS PLACE NEEDS, MY DEAR MRS. CONNOLLY, IS A WOMAN'S TOUCH! I THINK YOU'RE THE RIGHT PERSON FOR THE POSITION! YOU MAY START TOMORROW!

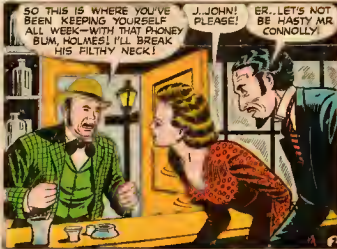
OH, THANK YOU, DOCTOR, I'LL WORK HARD! I'M SURE YOU WON'T REGRET IT!



SO THIS IS WHERE YOU'VE BEEN KEEPING YOURSELF ALL WEEK—WITH THAT MONEY BUM, HOLMES! I'LL BREAK HIS FILTHY NECK!

J. JOHN! PLEASE!

ER...LET'S NOT BE HASTY MR CONNOLLY!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY



DON'T, JOHN!  
DON'T HURT  
HIM!

LET'S SETTLE THIS DISCUSSION  
LIKE GENTLEMEN! I'LL GIVE YOU  
ALL THE SATISFACTION YOU  
WANT, CONNOLLY—IN  
THE CELLAR!

YOU STAY HERE  
DARLING—WE  
MUST SETTLE  
THIS ALONE!

YOU BET! COME ON,  
YOU RAT, I WANT  
MY REVENGE!



SORRY, BUT  
YOUR REVENGE  
WILL HAVE TO  
WAIT!

URGH...



SO YOU AND YOUR REVENGE GO UP  
IN SMOKE, CONNOLLY AND YOUR WIFE  
AND THE WORLD WILL THINK YOU  
MADE A COWARDLY  
DISAPPEARANCE!



THEN HE SAID HE NEVER HAD  
LOVED YOU, ANYWAY—THAT HE  
WAS GOING TO GET A DIVORCE—  
AND RAN OUT THE CELLAR  
DOOR, THE  
SPINELESS  
BEAST!

HOW HORRIBLE—  
LEAVING ME ALONE—  
WITH A CHILD—  
WHAT'LL I DO?



YOU'VE BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL,  
DARLING IN THE FIVE YEARS WE'VE  
BEEN MARRIED! NOW YOU HAVE THE  
MONEY TO BUILD THAT BIG HOTEL  
YOU'VE ALWAYS  
DREAMED OF

YES, MY  
PET—IT SHALL  
BE THE MOST  
UNUSUAL HOTEL  
IN THE  
WORLD!

ONLY HOLMES AND A FEW TRUSTED  
CARPENTERS KNEW HOW THE HOTEL  
WAS BEING BUILT. ALL OUTSIDERS  
KNEW WAS THAT IT RESEMBLED A  
CASTLE...

COMPLETE WITH TRAP  
DOORS, SECRET PASSAGeways,  
WINDOWLESS ROOMS, FALSE  
DOORS AND A HUNDRED  
TRICKS BLUEBEARD WOULD  
HAVE ADDED!



THERE,  
THERE, ANN—  
DON'T YOU FRET!  
I'LL MARRY  
YOU!

# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

BUT MIDWAY IN ITS COMPLETION,  
TROUBLE DEVELOPED!

WE NEED MORE MONEY, DOCTOR! THOSE CRAZY PASSAGEWAYS AND GADGETS ARE EXPENSIVE!

WITHOUT MORE FUNDS WE'LL HAVE TO ABANDON THE BUILDING!

NO, NO, WE CAN'T STOP NOW! GIVE ME A WEEK—I'LL GET MORE MONEY!

DO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF, DARLING!

I'LL BE BACK IN A FEW DAYS, MY DEAR—JUST A LITTLE BUSINESS TO TRANSACT IN TEXAS!

WE TEXANS DON'T APPROVE OF HASTY COURTSHIPS, BUT I'M SURE YOU'RE THE RIGHT MAN FOR MY BETINA! NOW, ABOUT THE DOWRY, \$20,000 WILL HAVE TO SUFFICE!

THANK YOU, MR. JENNINGS! BETINA, MY DARLING, I'LL MAKE YOU HAPPY—NAME THE DAY AND PLEASE MAKE IT SOON!



I NEVER EXPECTED BETINA TO HOOK ANY MAN—MUCH LESS SO DASHING A ONE AS DR. HOLMES!

OH, SWEETHEART, I'M SO THRILLED! I KNOW I'LL LOVE LIVING IN CHICAGO!

YOU SURELY WILL, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT TILL I DISPOSE OF MY PRESENT WIFE!



BUT DARLING, WHY CAN'T I COME WITH YOU NOW? WHY MUST I WAIT TWO WEEKS?

I WANT YOUR NEW HOME TO BE ALL IN READINESS WHEN YOU FIRST SEE IT. GOODBYE, MY LOVE

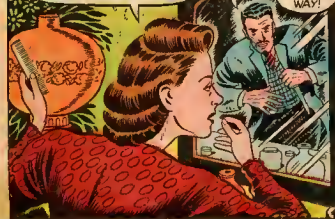


I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE BACK, DEAR! THE CARPENTERS HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR YOU! DID YOU HAVE A NIC... WH...WHY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT KNIFE!

YOU'VE MORE THAN OUTLIVED YOUR USEFULNESS, ANN! YOU ARE NOW VERY MUCH IN MY WAY!

I'VE BEEN FAR TOO PATIENT WITH YOU, MY PET!

N..NO! AAIIEE!!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY



...AND THIS BRAT OF YOURS IS ALSO IN THE WAY!



THANK HEAVENS THEY'RE TAKEN CARE OF! NOW I CAN SUMMON BETINA TO SHARE MY CASTLE WITH ME—WITH HER FATHER'S \$20,000, IT WILL SOON BE COMPLETED!



WHAT GOES ON, DARLING? THAT'S THE TENTH YOUNG WOMAN TO VISIT YOU IN THE THREE DAYS I'VE BEEN HERE! JUST WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS ARE YOU IN?

I FIND EMPLOYMENT FOR THEM, MY DEAR—YOU MUST EXCUSE ME NOW WHILE I PREPARE AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR TOMORROW'S PAPER



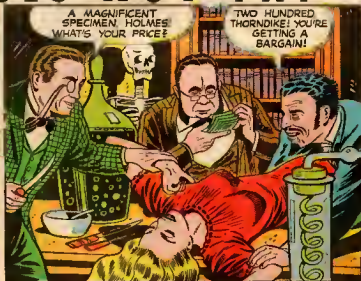
THIS IS ALL THE MONEY I HAVE IN THE WORLD, DR. HOLMES! IF I DON'T GET THE POSITION, I'LL BE DESTITUTE! YOU SEE, I'M AN ORPHAN—I'LL HAVE NO ONE TO TURN TO

YOU POOR THING—HOW UNFORTUNATE! YOU MUST STAY AT MY HOTEL, FREE OF CHARGE UNTIL I PLACE YOU WITH AN EMPLOYER!

WHAT A CHARMING ROOM, DOCTOR! THIS IS AWFULLY KIND OF YOU!

MAKE YOURSELF COMFORTABLE! GET A GOOD NIGHT'S REST AND I'LL SEE YOU IN THE MORNING! I MAY HAVE SOME NEWS OF THAT POSITION

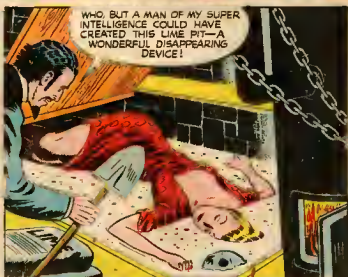
# CRIME DOES NOT PAY



HOLMES' WIFE, BETINA, MYSTERIOUSLY "DISAPPEARED" SHORTLY AFTER HE HAD USED UP THE \$20,000 DOWRY. IN THE MONTHS TO FOLLOW, MANY "JOB APPLICANTS" WITH THE SAME "QUALIFICATIONS APPLIED TO HOLMES."

MY GAS CHAMBER IS BECOMING RATHER COMMON PLACE! I MUST DREAM UP SOMETHING NEW...SOME-THING MORE ORIGINAL!

COUGH COUGH



HOLMES' RUTHLESS MANIACAL BRAIN WAS ALWAYS ALERT FOR NEW "BUSINESS METHODS"

DON'T STRAIN YOUR TONSILS MY LOVE. THE ROOM IS SOUND PROOF! I AM NOW DEALING IN SKELETONS AND IT SHALL BE YOUR HONOR TO BECOME MY FIRST PIECE OF MERCHANDISE!

HELP!



SHE WAS A REAL BEAUTY, THORNDIKE! I SHOULD SAVE HER FOR MY PRIZE COLLECTION, BUT I AM PRESSED FOR CASH! YOU MAY HAVE HER FOR \$250!

SOLD HOLMES! I COULD USE MORE LIKE THIS SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

I MUST GET SOME NEW AND DIFFERENT TORTURE INSTRUMENTS, BUT IT WILL TAKE MORE MONEY THAN I HAVE ON HAND! I'LL CONTACT PITZEL!



PITZEL WAS HOLMES' CONTACT MAN WITH MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS. HOLMES APPROACHED HIM WITH A 'SHREWD PROPOSITION'.

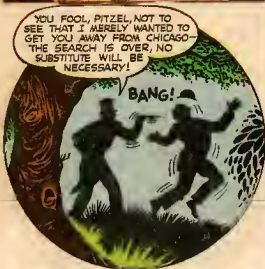
A BRILLIANT IDEA, HOLMES! WE INSURE MY LIFE FOR \$10,000, FIND OURSELVES A CORPSE THAT RESEMBLES ME, AND COLLECT!

EXACTLY PITZEL! NOW HERE'S MY PLAN! WE'LL GO TO PHILADELPHIA AND LOOK FOR THE "CORPSE" TO BE THERE! PEOPLE AROUND HERE ARE GROWING SUSPICIOUS OF ME



YOU FOOL, PITZEL, NOT TO SEE THAT I MERELY WANTED TO GET YOU AWAY FROM CHICAGO—THE SEARCH IS OVER, NO SUBSTITUTE WILL BE NECESSARY!

BANG!



HOLMES THEN MURDERED PITZEL'S THREE CHILDREN WHOM HE HAD INDUCED TO TAKE THE TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA WITH THEIR FATHER. ENROUTE BACK TO CHICAGO, HE STOPPED OFF AT INDIANAPOLIS TO BURY THEM.



I'LL BUY TORTURE INSTRUMENTS WITH THE INSURANCE MONEY THAT'LL PUT BLUEBEARD TO SHAME.... PLEASANT DREAMS!



IN CHICAGO...

SORRY MRS. PITZEL I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOUR HUSBAND AND CHILDREN ARE. I LEFT THEM IN PHILADELPHIA.

I DON'T BELIEVE YOU, HOLMES



MRS. PITZEL KNEW ENOUGH OF HER HUSBAND'S DEALINGS WITH HOLMES TO ASK FOR A CHECK-UP ON PITZEL'S BODY. IT WAS EXHUMED IN PHILADELPHIA.

I SHUDDER TO THINK WHAT'S BECOME OF THE THREE CHILDREN

THE ROTTEN SKUNK SHOT HIM THROUGH THE BACK OF HIS NECK!



THE POLICE TRACED HOLMES' ROUTE HOME FROM PHILADELPHIA AND DISCOVERED THE CHILDREN'S CORPSES IN INDIANAPOLIS...

THE MAN'S A HOMICIDAL MANIAC! WIRE CHICAGO AT ONCE



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

A SIGHT OF HORROR GREETED THE RAIDING POLICEMEN IN CHICAGO...

B. BUT GENTLEMEN, YOU...

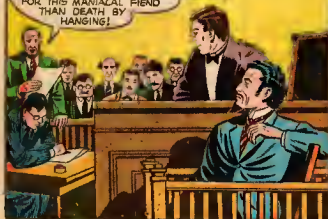
YOU DIRTY RAT HOLMES! WE OUGHT TO START TORTURING YOU RIGHT HERE!

SHUT UP HOLMES. RELEASE THE GIRL BRADY! I'VE GOT THE SKUNK COVERED!

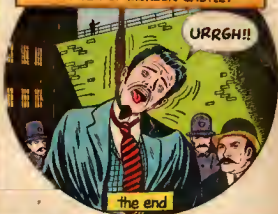


GENTLEMEN OF THE JURY—HAVE YOU REACHED A VERDICT?

GUILTY, YOUR HONOR! WE DEEPLY REGRET THAT THERE IS NO STRONGER PUNISHMENT WE CAN DEMAND FOR THIS MANIACAL FIEND THAN DEATH BY HANGING!



HOLMES PAID THE EXTREME PENALTY IN A PHILADELPHIA PRISON. WHAT A PITY THAT SO HUMAN A DEVICE AS A GALLOW SHOULD BE THE INSTRUMENT OF DEATH FOR THE MASTER OF MURDER CASTLE!



*This'll kill you!*



I'M DREADFULLY SORRY WE LOST THE CASE, OLD MAN—NOW ABOUT YOUR APARTMENT!



IT'S FOR YOU!



# WHAT IS DAREDEVIL MADE OF?



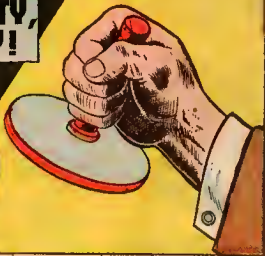
**BROTHERHOOD, COURAGE AND  
TRUTH-AND THE FIRE OF YOUTH!**

# WHAT'S A CRIMINAL MADE OF?

**LIES, HATE AND VULGARITY,  
DECEIT AND BRUTALITY!**



**THE TWO  
WILL NEVER  
COMPROMISE**



WHEN YOU  
WANT THE BEST  
IN ENTERTAINMENT AND  
THAT GOES FOR ANYTHING  
AND EVERYTHING ON  
THE NEWSSTANDS, IT'S

**DAREDEVIL,  
BOY AND CRIME**  
DOES NOT PAY  
HANDS DOWN!  
THERE IS NO  
COMPROMISE!

DAREDEVIL COMICS IS  
TOPS AND I OUGHT TO  
KNOW. MY CLUB TOOK  
A VOTE THE OTHER  
DAY AND DAREDEVIL  
WON 9 TO 1.

SINCERELY YOURS  
RAYMOND CESARIS  
TEDWARD ST.  
WORCESTER, MASS.

\* Wood:  
Four out of five  
in our club liked  
Daredevil comics  
best. Keep up the  
Splendid work.  
Respectfully yours,  
Charles McPartlin, Jr.  
1825 Kimball St.  
Brooklyn 10, N.Y.

42 Cambridge St.  
Revere, Mass.  
Dear Sirs:  
With all of the boys  
around here, it's  
Daredevil, four to one.

Sincerely yours,  
Alphonse Ambrosino

SALEM, WEST VIRGINIA  
DEAR EDITORS:  
OUR CLUB VOTED FOR  
THE MOST POPULAR COMIC,  
AND DAREDEVIL GOT IT,  
SEVEN OUT OF EIGHT.

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# REUNION IN DEATH

## A TRUE CRIME STORY

THE spacious white farmhouse was well kept, as was the barn some 150 feet to the rear—indications that the 160-acre dairy farm of David Lynes in Washington Court House, Ohio, was paying well. The killer noted these things mentally as he drove into the yard and parked his car in the rear of the house.

But prosperity had not made David Lynes a whit less stingy, the killer thought. The miserliness of the man, preventing Catherine's marriage until she had repaid him for the money he had spent on her education! Funny how these thoughts whetted his appetite for the kill!

As he stepped from his car the killer drew his topcoat about him, for it was cold on this Thanksgiving Eve in 1943—cold and damp, as if flurries of snow might blow across this Ohio country at any moment. The killer knew the barn door was open enough to allow his body to pass through, for the yellow flickering light of a lantern cast eerie shadows through the opening, shadows made by the motions of David Lynes, as he bedded down the cattle for the night.

The killer entered stealthily, the scattered straw spilled on the floor, making a cushion for his feet. David Lynes was now in full view but had not noticed the intrusion. The killer moved a step forward, nearer David Lynes. Then another, and another. Behind the man the killer stopped. David Lynes, holding his lantern, was inspecting the udder of one of his cows. It was perfect for murder! The killer merely drew the automatic from his topcoat pocket. He pulled the trigger. There was the bark of the gun and then a steel-jacketed slug entered David Lynes' brain, killing him instantly. The killer blew out the lantern and walked back again into the yard.

There was a chance, the killer knew, that someone inside the house might have heard the shot. And besides, his car parked there in the rear might have been seen. The killer walked slowly toward the front of the house. Yes, there on the screen porch stood Lynes' wife. The killer saw her silhouette against the light that shone through the front window.

"Oh, it's you!" the woman said. "I thought it

was David."

The killer did not reply. He drew the automatic from his pocket and took aim.

"What are you doing?" the woman screamed.

Again the killer did not reply. But his gun spoke. Five times it spoke until the weapon was empty. Then he drew another gun, a .38 revolver. He fired two more shots through the screening. He would have gone on firing, but down the road a car was approaching. At the wheel was Catherine Lynes. The killer stood uncertainly for a moment, then dodged into the shadows of the porch. He watched the car come to the driveway and turn in. It took the killer but a moment to make up his mind. It was now getting dark. There was no other way. . . .

A few hours earlier, Catherine Lynes had locked her desk. Her teaching at Pittsburg High was over until the following Monday and now she could go home for Thanksgiving. She closed her eyes as she sat there in the empty classroom and dreamed just for a moment of Billy Case, her former classmate at Ohio State University. Billy loved her and Catherine loved Billy. Why, she asked herself, was fate so strongly set against her marrying?

"Fate?" Billy had written her from camp. "Fate, Catherine? You know it is not fate, but your father's selfishness!"

Catherine wondered just vaguely if she loved her father and his petty ways. Then she brushed the thought aside. Of course, she loved him. If Dad wanted back the money he had spent on her education, it was merely caution against the day when he might not work his farm. Of course she loved him. And this was Thanksgiving and she was going home to a reunion with her family. There would be Mother and Dad and Uncle Radley and Aunt Ellen, Cousin Ben and his wife and baby!

Catherine rose and went for her coat. She could not stay there mooning. It would be late now before she reached home, driving steadily.

And now as she reached her own driveway, she relaxed happily. Home at last! She drove past the house into the back yard. She did not see the killer's parked car at first and then her headlights caught it. She turned out the lights as her car and

approached to the ground as the killer approached.

"My dear!" she exclaimed with pleasure.

"It's going to be cold tonight, Catherine," the killer said. "You'd better let me check the alcohol in your radiator."

It was not the kind of reception she had expected, but she reentered her car and raised the hood by means of a lever under the dash. She stepped out to greet the killer. Then the terror of the situation struck home. The killer already had the .38 revolver aimed at her. She tried to cry out, but words failed her. Then the gun cracked and Catherine sank to the ground, her consciousness—her life—ebbing, as the killer returned to his car and drove off into the darkness.

Sheriff John Geist was grim as he interviewed the neighbors. A hired hand, coming to work for David Lynes, had found the bodies on Thanksgiving morning. Now word had spread far and near and the townsfolk of Washington Court House, Ohio, flocked to the scene.

Relatives, who had intended to spend the day with the Lyneses, arrived from Clinton County, approximately 40 miles away. Radley Taylor, brother-in-law of the slain couple and uncle of Catherine was shocked and vowed vengeance on the killer, if it took his last penny. Ellen Taylor, Radley's wife and sister of the slain mother, was too grief-stricken to speak. Young Ben Tyler and Ben's wife did what they could to ease the sorrow of their parents, although they, too, were badly shaken by the sudden tragedy in their midst.

Sheriff Geist, however, held an ace he had mentioned to no one. He called the Radley's to one side now and spoke to them.

"Do you know of Catherine's having a fiance?" he asked.

Radley Taylor's jaw twitched nervously. "Good heavens, you don't think . . .?"

"I don't draw conclusions until I have evidence," Geist replied, "but I found a letter from a certain Bill Case in Catherine's purse. He evidently was upset because her father refused to allow Catherine to marry him."

Taylor was staring ahead, as if in a trance. "Case, Bill Case, that was the name!" he said at last. "I thought David was a bit foolish to object so strongly in spite of the money he claimed Catherine owed him!"

"The letter came from Camp Crowder, Missouri," said Geist. "I'll wire for information."

Sheriff Geist turned directly to Radley Taylor. "Rad," he said, "I've known you and your family all my life, but murders have been committed and duty requires me to check all possible angles. I'll

have to check your statements and those of your family as to your whereabouts last night."

Taylor smiled, although sadly. "I'd expect you to, John. In fact, I want you to."

Awaiting a reply from Camp Crowder concerning the whereabouts of Bill Case, John Geist checked the statements of Taylor's family. It is sufficient to say that, in each and every instance their stories proved conclusively that the killings could not possibly have been by any member of the family. Geist's reason for the close checking of the Taylors was that there was considerable money and property involved, which, in event of the Lyneses' death, was to be inherited by the Taylors.

Then, just as Sheriff John Geist felt that he had the criminal tagged, the report from Camp Crowder informed the sheriff that Bill Case had been ill in the infirmary for over a week and could not possibly have committed the crimes. Geist went back to the statements of all those whom he had interviewed.

One of the strongest links in the chain of evidence in favor of accepting Radley Taylor's alibi had been that his car's speedometer reading, checked with the reading of a garage mechanic who, the day before Thanksgiving, had greased Taylor's car, showed he had driven only 45 miles, while the distance from his home to that of the Lyneses and back was about 80. Now Geist had the same garage man inspect the car once more.

The garageman's verdict was: "The speedometer has been tampered with, John. It could have been changed!"

Sheriff Geist did not want to believe what he heard, but his duty was clear. He approached Radley Taylor again.

"Rad," he asked, "would you be willing to take a lie-detector test in Toledo?"

"You mean one of those gadgets I've been reading about? Why, sure, John. Sure I would!"

On the first of December, at 9 A.M., Sheriff Geist and Radley Taylor reached Toledo Headquarters. By the end of that day Radley Taylor had confessed to three murders, primarily for the inheritance money!

Tough before his trial and during it, Radley Taylor completely refuted his confession by claiming duress and "double-dealing." A jury of nine men and three women, deliberating only 2¾ hours, found him guilty of murder in the first degree. On April 20, 1945, Radley Taylor died in the electric chair at Ohio State Penitentiary and learned the hard way and too late that Crime Does NOT Pay!

The End.

# *the* **BEAST OF BROOKLYN**

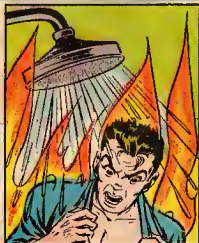
**B**ROOKLYN'S BLAZING HURRICANE IS A CLASSIC IN THE HISTORY OF THE NEW YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT... CHIEF FIRE MARSHAL BROPHY HIMSELF TRIED TO CATCH THE FIENDISH FIRE BUG KNOWN AS "THE BEAST OF BROOKLYN!"

THEY  
MUST ALL  
BE TRAPPED  
NO ONE'S  
COME OUT  
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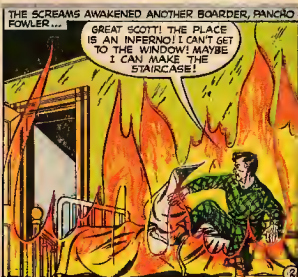
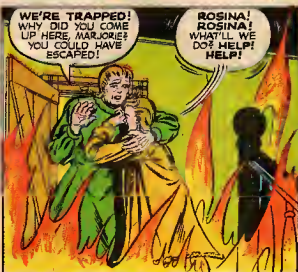
# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

ONE OF MRS. ANDREWS' BOARDERS, GEORGE KEIM, WAS ASPHYXIATED IN HIS BED—HE DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE!

HER SON, CHARLES, FUTILELY DASHED FOR THE SHOWER WHERE HE WAS LATER FOUND BURNED TO DEATH!



MRS. ANDREWS' DAUGHTER, MARJORIE, RUSHED UP-STAIRS TO AWAKEN THE HOUSEKEEPER, ROSINA, WHO SLEPT IN THE ATTIC...



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY



AAGH!!  
IT'S CAVING  
IN! IT'S  
COLLAPSING!



YIIII!!



MOTHER!  
MOTHER! HELP!  
I CAN'T GET  
OUT! HELP!

ILLIAN ANDREWS WAS TRAPPED  
IN HER BEDROOM WHEN HER  
DOOR STUCK.



YIII!!  
HELP!  
AAGH!

FOUR ALARMS WERE SENT OUT—CHIEF FIRE MARSHAL TOM BROPHY LOST NO TIME IN GETTING TO THE ANDREWS' HOME!

9417 19TH AVENUE, RIGHT  
BROPHY! GEE, NINETEEN  
PEOPLE STUCK IN THAT  
HOUSE—I HOPE WE  
CAN SAVE SOME  
OF THEM!

SO DO I, RILEY,  
BUT WHAT I CAN'T  
FIGURE OUT IS  
HOW A BLAZE  
THAT BIG COULD  
GET GOING SO  
SUDDENLY!

WHERE'S  
THE FIRE?

IN  
BENSON-  
HURST! GOLLY  
MUST BE A  
BIG ONE!



HURRY BOYS  
GET ONE HOSE  
INTO THE CELLAR!  
IT PROBABLY  
STARTED  
THERE!

WOW, THIS  
SHACK MUST  
HAVE BEEN  
DUNKED IN  
GASOLINE!

RIGHT  
CHIEF!



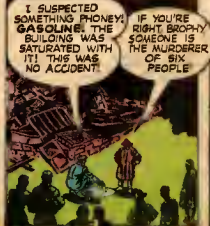
GET A LADDER  
UP TO THAT  
SECOND FLOOR  
WINDOW, JONES!  
HOW MANY  
ARE STILL  
INSIDE!

WE'VE RESCUED  
TWELVE SO FAR!  
MUST BE ABOUT  
SEVEN STILL IN  
THERE—IT'S A  
MIRACLE WE GOT  
ANY OF THEM  
OUT!

WHEN THE FIRE WAS PUT  
OUT AND THIRTEEN TERRIFIED  
PEOPLE SAVED, FIRE MARSHAL  
BROPHY TURNED DETECTIVE!

I SUSPECTED  
SOMETHING FINEY!  
GASOLINE. THE  
BUILDING WAS  
SATURATED WITH  
IT! THIS WAS  
NO ACCIDENT!

IF YOU'RE  
RIGHT, BROPHY,  
SOMEONE IS  
THE MURDERER  
OF SIX PEOPLE



I KNOW I'M RIGHT, BUT  
WHETHER THIS IS THE WORK  
OF A PYROMANIAC ONE WHO  
DELIGHTS MERELY IN SEEING  
FIRES—OR A FIREBUG  
WITH A CRIMINAL MOTIVE  
I'M NOT QUITE  
SURE!



SMIFF  
SMIFF

# CRIME DOES NOT PAY

BROPHY FIGURED IT WAS THE WORK OF A COLD-BLOODED MURDERER AND PROBED INTO THE LIVES OF THE NINETEEN PEOPLE WHO HAD LIVED AT 9417 19TH AVENUE.

NOW LOOK I'M NOT ACCUSING ANYONE, BUT I INSIST THAT YOU ALL ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS! THE FIRE WAS NOT ACCIDENTAL! I NEED YOUR HELP, IF WE'RE TO FIND THE GUILTY PARTY!

I'VE CHECKED WITH ALL THE NEIGHBORS, BROPHY! THE ANDREWS HAVEN'T AN ENEMY IN THE WORLD... BUT WE KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THE TWO BOARDERS, RANCHO FOWLER AND GEORGE KEIM WHO DIED!



HELLO, RILEY, I JUST CHECKED ON RANCHO FOWLER WITH THE MEXICAN AUTHORITIES! HE WAS IN THE OIL DRILLING BUSINESS THERE—DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS ABOUT HIS BACKGROUND!

NOW ABOUT GEORGE KEIM—WE CAN CHECK ON HIM OURSELVES!

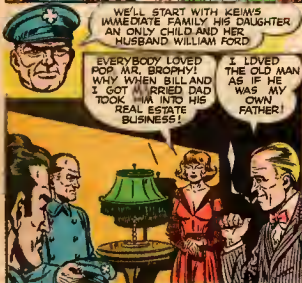
WHERE DO WE BEGIN, CHIEF?



WE'LL START WITH KEIM'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY HIS DAUGHTER AN ONLY CHILD AND HER HUSBAND WILLIAM FORD

EVERYBODY LOVED POP MR. BROPHY! WHY WHEN BILL AND I GOT MARRIED DAD TOOK ME INTO HIS REAL ESTATE BUSINESS!

I LOVED THE OLD MAN AS IF HE WAS MY OWN FATHER!

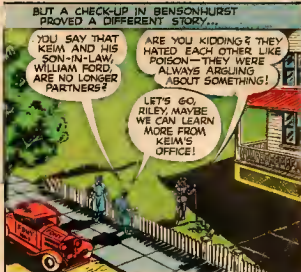


BUT A CHECK-UP IN BENSONHURST PROVED A DIFFERENT STORY...

YOU SAY THAT KEIM AND HIS SON-IN-LAW, WILLIAM FORD, ARE NO LONGER PARTNERS?

ARE YOU KIDDING? THEY HATED EACH OTHER LIKE POISON—THEY WERE ALWAYS ARGUING ABOUT SOMETHING!

LET'S GO, RILEY, MAYBE WE CAN LEARN MORE FROM KEIM'S OFFICE!



YES, MR. KEIM AND MR. FORD FOUGHT LIKE CATS AND DOGS! ONE TIME MR. KEIM'S DAUGHTER TRIED TO BREAK UP A FIGHT AND WAS FLUNG AGAINST A RADIATOR... SHE'S BEEN LAME EVER SINCE!

RILEY, I WANT FORD'S HOUSE WATCHED! PICK UP ANYBODY GOING IN OR OUT!

HOURS LATER, BROPHY'S HUNCH PAID OFF!

WE CAUGHT HIM GOING INTO FORD'S HOUSE SIR... HIS NAME'S JONES—SAYS HE CAN'T REMEMBER WHAT HE DID LAST NIGHT!

WHAT GOES ON HERE! I AIN'T DONE NOTHING! LAY OFF ME!

WE JUST WANT TO HAVE A CHAT WITH YOU, JONES—TAKE HIM INTO MY OFFICE!



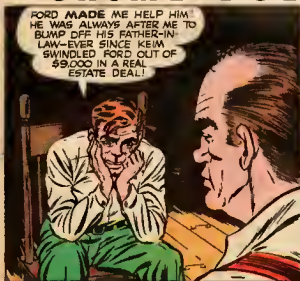
JONES A FIRE BUG FRIES FOR HIS CRIMES! COME CLEAN NOW!

YOU DON'T EXPECT US TO BELIEVE YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU WERE LAST NIGHT DO YOU?

ALL RIGHT I'LL TELL! I'LL TELL!



# CRIME DOES NOT PAY



FORD MADE ME HELP HIM! HE WAS ALWAYS AFTER ME TO BUMP OFF HIS FATHER-IN-LAW—EVER SINCE KEIM SWINDLED FORD OUT OF \$9,000 IN A REAL ESTATE DEAL!



WHAT IF THE WHOLE HOUSE BURNS DOWN? NINETEEN PEOPLE LIVE HERE—WHAT ABOUT THEM?

THE DEVIL WITH THEM! AS LONG AS KEIM GETS WHAT'S COMING TO HIM!



ARREST JONES AS FORD'S ACCESSORY! I'LL PICK UP 'FIRE BUG' FORD MYSELF!



THE DIRTY SKUNK! STAND BACK, BROWN! HE MAY BE ARMED! IF HE MAKES A FALSE MOVE SHOOT—BUT ONLY TO WOUND HIM!



SO YOU LOVED KEIM LIKE A FATHER, EH? THAT'S WHY YOU AND JONES TOOK HIS LIFE AND THE LIVES OF FIVE INNOCENT PEOPLE

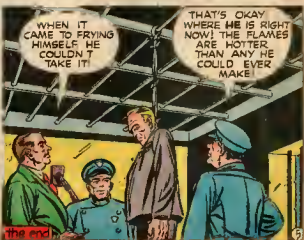
SO JONES SQUEALED—THE RAT! WHY, I'LL...



OH, NO, YOU WON'T, FORD! YOU'VE GOT A LITTLE DEBT TO PAY THE STATE ALTHOUGH IT'S MUCH TOO GOOD FOR YOU—TAKE HIM AWAY, BROWN!

RIGHT, BROPHY—THE D.A. WILL BE GLAD TO MEET HIM!

JONES RECEIVED A LONG PRISON TERM AND FORD WAS SENTENCED TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR, BUT HANGED HIMSELF IN SING SING'S MURDERERS' ROW!



WHEN IT CAME TO FRYING HIMSELF HE COULDN'T TAKE IT!

THAT'S OKAY WHERE HE IS RIGHT NOW! THE FLAMES ARE HOTTER THAN ANY HE COULD EVER MAKE!

the end

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LINCOLN AND INDIAN HEAD  
**PENNIES WANTED**  
 Will \$10.00 EACH FOR CERTAIN  
 PAY LINCOLN PENNIES  
 Indian Head Cents \$20.00, Nickel \$20.00, Dime \$20.00, 20¢ new, 10¢, 5¢, 1¢, 1/2¢, 1/4¢, 1/8¢, 1/16¢, 1/32¢, 1/64¢, 1/128¢, 1/256¢, 1/512¢, 1/1024¢, 1/2048¢, 1/4096¢, 1/8192¢, 1/16384¢, 1/32768¢, 1/65536¢, 1/131072¢, 1/262144¢, 1/524288¢, 1/1048576¢, 1/2097152¢, 1/4194304¢, 1/8388608¢, 1/16777216¢, 1/33554432¢, 1/67108864¢, 1/134217728¢, 1/268435456¢, 1/536870912¢, 1/1073741824¢, 1/2147483648¢, 1/4294967296¢, 1/8589934592¢, 1/17179869184¢, 1/34359738368¢, 1/68719476736¢, 1/137438953472¢, 1/274877906944¢, 1/549755813888¢, 1/1099511627776¢, 1/2199023255552¢, 1/4398046511104¢, 1/8796093022208¢, 1/17592186044416¢, 1/35184372088832¢, 1/70368744177664¢, 1/140737488355328¢, 1/281474976710656¢, 1/562949953421312¢, 1/1125899906842624¢, 1/2251799813685248¢, 1/4503599627370496¢, 1/9007199254740992¢, 1/18014398509481984¢, 1/36028797018963968¢, 1/72057594037927936¢, 1/144115188075855872¢, 1/288230376151711744¢, 1/576460752303423488¢, 1/1152921504606846976¢, 1/2305843009213693952¢, 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SKIPPER MORGAN

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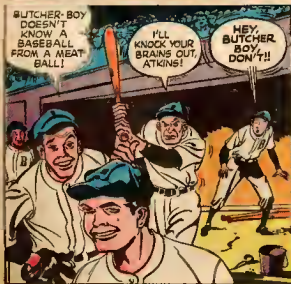
ONE SIDE, BUM! YOU'RE HOLDING UP THE PARADE!

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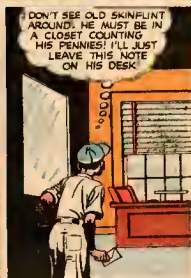
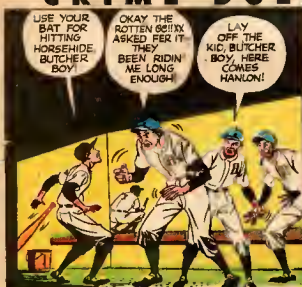
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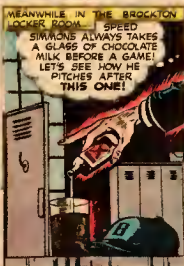
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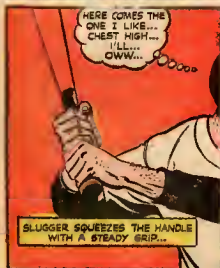
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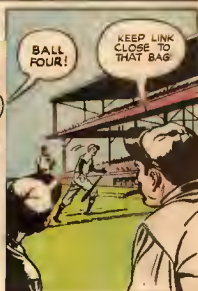
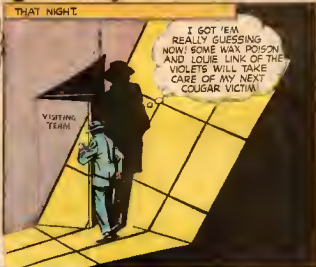
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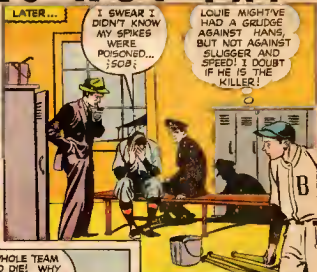
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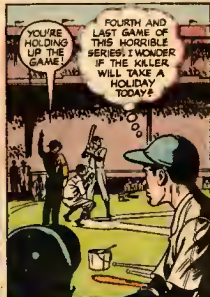
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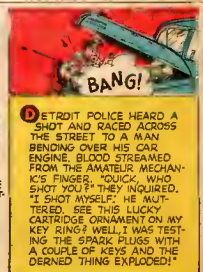
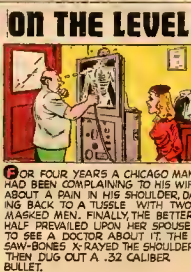
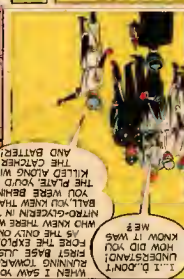
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